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APPLICANT: Spiegelman et al.
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FOR: RECOVERY AND PURIFICATION OF GASES USED IN
MEDICAL PROCESSES

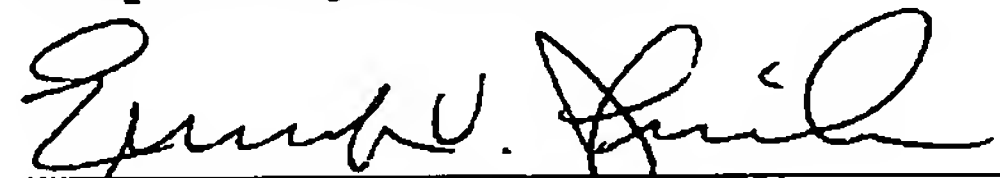
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of time for filing the attached Response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application. The Action is dated December 4, 2003, making the first (no fee) response deadline February 4, 2004. The requested one month extension makes the deadline March 4, 2004. Please charge the extension fee to our Deposit Account - No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,



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